

REMARKS

Claims 1-10 are pending in this application.

Prompt and favorable Action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

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APPENDIX

VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

IN THE SPECIFICATION

The specification is changed as follows:

Page 19, line 15, delete the whole paragraph and replace it with the following new paragraph.

In other words, wedge portion [70] 71 of the chip projects into the weld portion 60. The second weld layer 62 catches this wedge portion 70. This prevents the chip 50 from being disconnected from the central electrode 30.

Page 19, line 20, delete the whole paragraph and replace it with the following new paragraph.

In the three-layer structure shown in Fig. 3, another wedge portion [71] 73 is further provided between the second and third weld layers 62 and 63. This provides a stronger wedge structure .

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REQUEST FOR DRAWING CHANGE AUTHORIZATION

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Submitted herewith is a copy of a drawing sheet containing Fig. 2A and Fig. 3 of the application drawings, showing proposed changes in red. Approval of these changes is requested.

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FIG. 2A

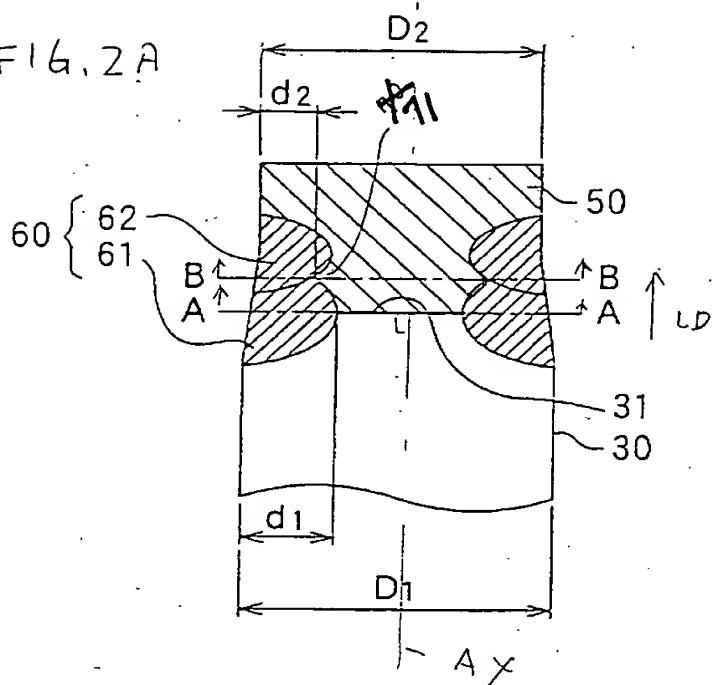


FIG. 2B

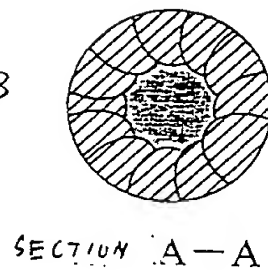


FIG. 3

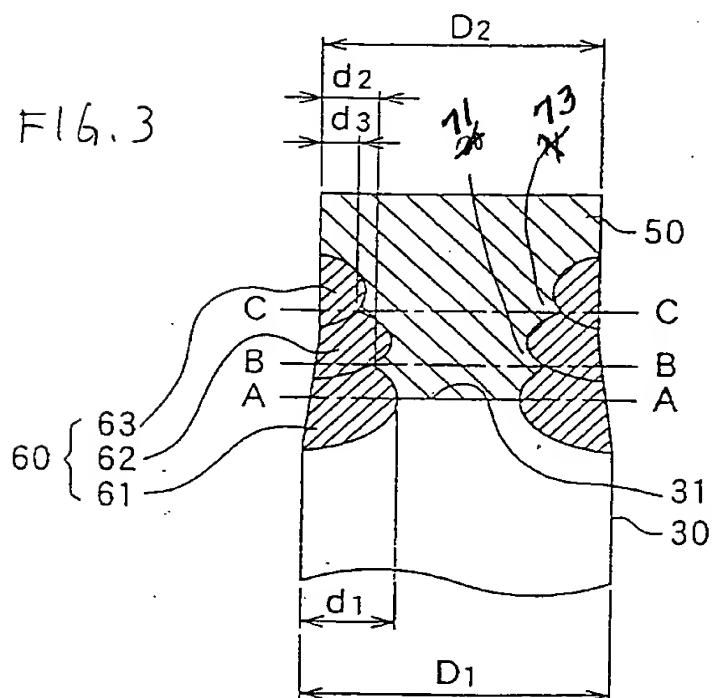


FIG. 2C

